SHAKER COLLECTION

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Franklin, O.
July 14, 1903.

Sister Susannah:-

In comparing the Shaker records I am sometimes at a loss as to the facts. I succeeded in straightening one up to day by help of the Union Village Church Records. Now I want you to help me straighten out the following, relating to the 3rd edition of "Christs Second Appearing."

1. The Preface to the 4th edition says the third edition was printed in Cincinnati in 1823.

2. The 3rd edition itself has the imprint "Union Village, (Ohio) B. Fisher and A. Burnett, Printers. 1823."

3. Union Village Church Record states: "1823. ~~Apr.~~ May. It is resolved to reprint the 'Testimony of Christs 2d Appearing' at U. Village: The first Edition was printed in Lebanon Ohio; the 2d in Albany New York, and now a 3d is to be printed at U. V."

"21. James Voris & Andrew Burnet arrive from P. Hill: Andrew B. bringing a printer is to remain during

the job of printing. A. C. Houston is to help print this job also.

22. New printing Press and types arrive from Cincinnati."

"June 2. Commence Printing Testaments finish Oct. 4th — 3000 copies"

4. In your favor of June 19, you state that Richard McNemar walked to and fro every morning and night from Lebanon, during the Printing.

3.5 James Hennessey informed me that no printing ever was done at U. V.

If you can straighten out these Books I shall be greatly obliged.

Yours sincerely,

J. P. MacLean.

Franklin, O.
Sept. 1st, 1909.

Sister Susanna:-

I am greatly pleased to receive your commendation of my labors. I have now written ten articles, five of which have been published. Friend Jennessey has received a copy of all published.

As I pursued my investigations into the history of Shakerism in Ohio, I became profoundly impressed with the fact that the lives, labors and characters of the early founders should be preserved. What little we know of them? They are Darrow, McNemar, Dunlavy, Houston, Serrey, Spurrier, Key, Rentz and Prudence Farrington, &c. &c. You know more of these people than any person living. When you are taken away, shall all this knowledge go? Hence I was impressed to write to Elder Andrew on the subject, and to request you to get down your recollection in a book

secured for the purpose. After this has been accomplished it would be well for you to take up the early period of Spiritualism.

A. G. Hollister writes me that R. W. Pelham wrote the lives of the 50 early Shakers. Can you tell what became of this MS? He also made a translation of the Bible. Where is it?

You will please accept my thanks for the MSS. you sent by Eldress Clymena. I have I used considerable of it, by way of footnotes, as my MS. had already been written.

Yours sincerely,

J. P. MacLean.

Franklin, C.
Aug. 21st, 1903.

My Dear Elder:-

I am moved to write to you, but hope you will not think I desire to intrude on you nor assume to presume on your prerogatives.

Eldress Clymena Minor was kind enough to bring me yesterday some MSS. by Sister Susan C. Liddell. This morning I went carefully over these papers. They contain much valuable historical matter. It would have been a great benefit to me had I known these facts before. Some of these references I can incorporate into the papers I have not yet printed. But this is not what I want to say to you:

Sister Susan is the one connecting link between the first Believers and the present at Union Village. She remembers most of the old traditions, stories, &c. &c. She remembers how the early converts looked. She has rath-

able memoranda. Permit me to suggest that you procure for her a large blank book, write pens, ink (Arnold's writing fluid) pen holders and blotters, and tell her, as she has leisure and inclination, to write every thing she knows about Union Village and its early characters, placing the same in that blank book. She might exhaust Richard McNemar, Bates, Young, Darrow, Hamilton, Spurrier, Rathbun, Dunlavy, King, Russ Jennings, &c. &c.

This would be of great value. Besides I think it would please Susan, and help employ her time.

I hope you will give this matter your earnest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

J. P. MacLean.

After ..... days, return to

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Elder

Andrew Barrett

R.F.D. No 3 Lebanon Ohio

Litigation A Poem.

Thro' much persecution and lawless confusion
The Shakers have stood and would never retreat
In this kind of battle they've proved their mettle
For while in close union they cannot be beat.
But when separated a war is created
That's well calculated to humble their pride
'Tis shameful to mention domestic contention
That judges & juries will have to decide

(2)

But let it be granted that tares have been planted
And suffer'd to grow till the harvest comes on
In this trying season there's very good reason
Why so many nominal Shakers are gone
This separate party who never were hearty
The life of an honest Believer to live
Have got a foundation to give us vexation
That no other enemy ever could give

(3)

From their education & social relation
An outrageous spirit they've learn'd to despise
To their ammunition is secret ambition
And artful misrepresentation & lies
Their whole conversation is false accusation
Of customs & conduct that they never saw
These splendid law cases the lawyer embraces
And now we may look for the lash of the law

(4)

They mark out their courses and muster their forces
Their writs & subpoenas they artfully frame
The charges are cruel & kindle like fuel
To light up the world & their passions inflame
They get the dominion of public opinion
And prejudice rises in battle array
So part of the jury excited by fury
Must swear to whatever our enemies say

(5)

They say we deceiv'd them and some how bereav'd them
Of one sort of pleasure they greatly esteem'd
Here passion is kindled to see them so swindled!
For this piece of conduct were awfully blam'd!
But the depredations on natural relations
On parents and children yea husband & wife
Such parting asunder & mixing of plunder
Is painted more dreadful than taking the life

(6)

The representation of pure church relation
Creates a sensation that can't be expressed
To follow our Savior in all his behavior
Is what the poor plaintiff could never digest
He grew disaffected as might be expected
Restricted to rules that he would not obey
So off goes the fellow prepared to bellow
And even to swear he was driven away

(7)

This open dissenter can presently enter
Our peaceable dwellings pretending a claim
He raises a riot (tho' he will deny it
His outrageous deeds must have some other name)
By his deposition he proves the commission
Of what has been commonly term'd an affray
That's all predicated on what may be stated
Our very good right to prohibit his stay

(8)

The Brethren did tease him the Sisters did seize him
And gave the poor fellow an unfriendly shove
They did not caress him they try'd to dismiss him
In fact did not treat him with brotherly love
Now evry such caper with pen ink & paper
The learned attorney can artfully shape
That from these rude Shakers these awful peacebreakes
'Tis strange how the fellow did make his escape

(9)

Assaulted and battered his clothing all tattered!
Those dreadful productions of violence & vim
Tho' legally stated when investigated
They're found upon paper but not upon him
Such cunning inventions & artful pretensions
May suit an attorney thats fond of a fee
His tongue like a dagger may bluster & swagger
But men of discernment his motives can see

(10)

A clafs of young lawyers must have their employers-
They must have a living & what shall they do?
Their purses are scanty- the Shakers have plenty
And must be the persons most proper to sue.
Their conscience they stifle with justice they trifle
And tho' it may cost them much labor & toil
They enter the struggle determin'd to juggle
And with their employers get part of the spoil.

(11)

Our humble profession implies the possession
Of all that belongs to the pure way of God
Then think what excitement flows from an indictment
That charges the Church with deception & fraud
To find the base creature by name or by feature
Our peacable dwellings in vain they explore
The notification bears no explanation
Until it is fixed on the meeting house door

(12)

It now must be granted that money is wanted
Some worthy attorney is greatly in need
The case has some bearing & must have a hearing!
The law must be open & lawyers must plead!
But O the sweet money! It makes him look funny
He must have some of it but hardly knows how;
If we are defeated his fee's stipulated
At half he can make by the sweat of his brow.

63 copies

Aye sound politicians & civil physicians
How far will you let this disorder increase
We're really sick of it- We earnestly covet
The rights of protection the blessings of peace
To maintain those lawyers & all their employers
Is too great a burthen, but now to be brief
If they're well deserving to keep them from starving
As far as we're able, we'll give them relief.

Copied by John Barnet — Pleasant Hill 1827.

W. Tanner
Wallbridge
Monroe Co Ky

Thos. Hunt & Wm. Davis jr. appt'd. Deacons at this time.

Sept. 9th 1816. S. Rollins & A. Kitchell appointed Elders of the Centre family.

May 16" 1826. Ashbel is removed (N. Union), — and Daniel Sering appointed with E. Br. Saml.

Aug 27" 1827. E. Br. Saml. deceased, — Sept 20" 1827. Cephas appointed with E. Br. Daniel.

~~July~~ Aug 12 14" 1828. Cephas is released; — and Jas. M'Numar appointed as 2nd Elder

June 1829. James M'N. removed to Shaker & released — Oct. 1" 1829. Eleazar fills his place, pro. tem.

Feb. 14" 1830. Eleazar is released, — and Andrew H. appointed.

Nov. 7" 1830. E. Br. Danl. S. (to W. Water) moves, — and E. Br. William S. fills his place.

June 5" 1835. Wm. Sharp resigns — and Aug. 29" 1835. E. Br. Stephen fills his place.

Note. The Title of Elder Br. & Elder Sr. was not established till March 7. 1822.

1812. Jan. 16" Peter Pease, J. Wallace & Nathan Sharp were appointed Trustees of the chh.

1812. Nov. 23d. Peter Pease removes out of the Centre house into the meeting house.

1814. Feb. 26" Peter Pease & Co. start to gasper, Peter & martha return May 31 and return to Gasper again aug. 4th — Feb. 6" 1815 — Peter to gasper again. Elder Peter, Eldress Martha & Co. return home from South union.

1816 Dec. 14 John Wallace deceased. July 14 1817 Lewis [illegible] appointed

1820 May 2d. Elder Peter set out for N. Lebanon the last time.

1823 Dec. 15" Trustees & others remove to the North buildings as offices

1828 Aug. 12 Daniel Boyd Trustee at the West heretofore is now ranked to the number in the chh. N. S. & L. V.

1830. Feb. 14. Daniel Boyd resigned & Lewis released from Trusteeship & Ithamer & Henry appointed to fill their places, — changes took place 16th of same.

1812. Jan. 16 Martha Sanford was appointed first in temporal care Peggy Houston perhaps with her.

" Aug. 11 " Peggy H. goes to Busaron, Returned Nov. 6.

1816 Oct. 26. Eldress Martha goes to West Union

1817 Sep. 4 Peggy Houston released from lot of Office Deaconess and removes to South house as Elder Sister. Peggy Bigger to the East house — & Eunice Sering fill Peggy's place in the office lot.

1821 Apr. 3d Charlotte M. appointed Office Deaconess in room of Eunice Sering, who is released from that, & appt'd family Deaconess.

1821. Oct 30" Eunice Sering to the meeting house & Thankful office Deaconess.

1830. Nov. 23. Thankful released from Office — removes to Centre as fam. Deaconess Betsey Dickson appt'd.

1831. Oct. Thankful returns to the office again as Deaconess & R. Dunn is put in with Clarissa as deaconess

1832. Sep. Thankful Thomas removes from the office again, & goes to Brick h. Betsey Dickson stands in her lot & E. Morris with her

1816 From 1812 to 1816. there were no regular Elders in the centre family to lead openings &c. — Samuel Rollins & Jethro Dennis stood foremost in meeting &c. and Lucy L. and Charlotte in like manner on the sisters side. —

1816

Sept. 9 Lucy L. & Charlotte Monill appointed E. Sisters (Centre)

Jan 4 1820. Charlotte released — Prudence appointed.

May 16. 1826. Prudence removed to the north. Vinay appt'd Molly K. appt'd

From this period till January 8th 1830. the following changes took

May 16 " Molly appt'd & Viney released. place. Viz.

Molly K. was next moved, and Viney took her place. again

Viney was next moved, and Sally Holloway took her place,

Sally H. was next moved, and Anna Brownfield took her place.

Aug 12. 1828 Elder Sr. Lucy next to N. Lot moved, and Ruth B. put in with Anna Brownfield pro tem

Ruth B. was next moved, and Eliza S. took her place. took place Nov. 9th 1829.

Dec. 31st 1829 Anna Br. was next to E. L. moved, Eliza S. took her place and Prudence Monell took her place,

Eliza Prudence was next to N. L. moved, and Jane Buchanan took her place. Jan 8. 1830

Feb. 14th 1830 Jane B. was next to B. L. moved. and Molly Kitchell took her place was E. Sister

Nov 9. Oct. 6th 1830 Molly was next to E. L. removed, and Anna Boyd was appointed 14th in the lot.

Apr. 28th 1831 E. Sr. Anna was next to B. L. moved, and Elder Sr. Mary B. filled the place. —

Oct. 10th 1833 E. Sr. Mary Rodle was next to S. L. moved, and Lois Spining filled her place. filled Lois' place N. L. Caty R.

26 or 27 1835 Eli[illegible] to [illegible] and [illegible] appointed

[illegible]

June 18th 1836. Elder Sister Lois is next to the N. L. removed. and Nancy Mc Numar fills the vacancy with E. S. Mary.

1828. Aug 12th Eld. Sr. Lucy to N. Lot & Prudence took her place

June 9. 1829 Prudence removed East & A. Brownfield took the first lot

Dec. 31. 1829 Anna to the East L. & Eliza S. takes her place.

Jan 8th 1830 Jane B takes Eliza's title —

Feb. 14. 1830 Jane & Eliza changed removed & Eliza took the first lot. and Molly K. went in with her

Nov. 9. 1830 Eliza steps back & Anna Boyd stood first.

Hannah C

Charity Eld. Sr

Peggy B.

Ennice Brown

Mary Spining

Frances. E B.

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and Charlotte Morrell appoint
ed Elder sisters (Centre)

Jan 4th 1820 Charlotte re
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Morrell (her sister) appointed

Feby 1st 1824 Prudence
(Morrell) removed to the North

Mr. Feb 1st 1826
Providence removed to the North & Molly Kitchel
Vinay McLennan appointed
From this period till Jan.
8th 1830, The following
changes took place viz
May 14th Molly appointed
and Vinay released Molly
Kitchel was next removed
and Vinay took her place
again, Vinay was next
removed and Sally Hollo
way (daughter of Samuel Holloway)
took her place Sally Hollow
ay next moved and Anna
Bromfield took her place
August 12th 1828 Elder Sister
Lucy Faith next moved

Elder sister Lucy Smith
next moved to North Lot
And Ruth Brown put in
with Anna Brown next
to ten Ruth Brown was
next moved and Eliza
Short took her place
Nov 4th 1829

Dec 31st 1829 Anna Brown
field was next moved to
East house Elder Sister
Eliza Short took her place
Eldress Prudence Morrell
was next moved to North
Lot and Jane Buchanan
took her place Jan 8, 1830

Feb 4 1830 Jane Buchan
an was next moved to

Jane Buchanan 3rd 4 1838 was next
removed to Brick house
and Molly Kitchel took
her place and Elder Susan
Eliza Sharp was Elder Sister

Oct 6th 1838 Molly Kitchel
was next removed to East
house And Anna Boyd
was appointed 1st in the

April 28th 1831 Elder
Sister Anna was next
moved to Brick house
And Elder Susan
Beedle filled her place

Oct 1st 1833 Elder Sister
Mary Beedle was next
moved to Square house and
Lois Skinner

Oct 15, 1833

and Lois Skinner filled her place, Caty Rubert filled Lois Skinners place North house

Sept 27, 1835 Eliza Shaw was next removed to New Lebanon and Mary Hopkins fills her place, appointed the 24th June 1836 Elder Sister Lois next removed to the North house and Aaron McNamar fills the balance with Elder sister Mary Hopkins

(Here following is a half page of the usual large sheet paper rather too dim to read)

1816 Chh Rec. 6

Thomas Hunt and William Davis jr (Bros William Hunt) appointed Deacons at this time

Sept 9th 1816 Samuel Rol-
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appointed Elders of the Ch
the family

May 14th 1826 Asbel is releas
and goes to Northumin, and
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with Elder Brother Samuel

Aug 27th 1827 Elder Brother
Samuel deceased — Sept 20 18
27. Chas Holloway appointed
with Elder Brother Daniel.

August 14th 1828 Chas is
released and James McKeman

and James McNeman ap_y
pointed as 2nd Elder

June 1829 James McNeman
(as Clarissa has told Susan
that Nic at that date James Mc-
a build a timber fell from the
top & broke James's leg) removed
to nurse house Oct 1st 1829
Eleazar fills his place for time.

Feb 14 1830 Eleazar is relea
and Andrew Houston ap
pointed Elder Brother Daniel Dor
June 7, 1830.
ing) moves to White Water and
Elder Brother William Shar
fills his place

June 5, 1835 William Shar
resigns and August 29, 1835

Aug 29, 1835 Elder Barnes
Stephen (Winning) fills his
place Note The Title of Elder Brother
and Elder Sister was not
established till March 7, 1842

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and return to Gasper again
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and co, return from South
Union.

1818 July 14

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sconded July 14 1818 Lewis
Volentine appointed Trustee
1820 May 2d Elder Peter set
out for New Lebanon the
last time

1823 Dec 15 Trustees and
others removed to the North
building as Office
1828 August 12 Daniel
Boyd Trustee at the West
Precinct is now added to
the number in the Church Station
Sharp and Lewis Volentine

1830 July 14 Daniel Boyd re
signed and Lewis Volentine
released from Trustees hip
and Thomas Johnson and
Lewis Volentine appointed
to fill their places, Stranger
to Record 16th same

changes to Replace 14 Sister
~~For Sale by Dunlavy Stivers & Co~~ 1.
1812 Jan 16 Martha Sanford
was appointed Guardian to
Susanna Liddell & was
in temporal care under
Martha and next to Eldress
Houston S & L had charge of
the Dunning Stock & the weavers
Ship Mother Ruth & Lucy
Susanna at Center
from Eldress Martha in
the gathering presence of all the
sisters in the family as
told to me by one of the Sisters
Mariah Graham (one of the
sisters present in the gathering
council That Mother Ruth
said of Lucy The business
of the council We do not

business of the counsel
We do not the Sister to be
jealous but we consider Sr
the best adapted to temporal
business & care of any
woman that we have gathered
in & we want her put under
Elders Martha's instructions
for a I think I have hinted at this
in my conversation with Sister Clark
in some of these communications
carefully for Pubmeet by date
& mention Elders Anna Coles
a relative)

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1830 Nov 23 Thankful Pell released from Office

For Sale by Druggists Generally

1830 Nov 23

released from ~~[illegible]~~
moved to Centre Family
Deaconess Betsey Dixon
appointed

1831 Oct. 3 Hannah Pul returns
to the Office again as Dea
coness, and Rachel Durkin
is put in with Clarissa as
Deaconess

1832 Sept. 3 Hannah Pul
Hannah removed from the
Office again and goes to
brick House Betsey Dixon
stands in her Lot and
Elizabeth Morris with her.

1825.

Sept. 20. Burning Brick Kiln.

Oct. 11 Building an oil Mill at the Existmill.

Nov. 6 Sab. Meeting. Great many Spectators.
Some time this year the Chh. bought a piece of land at D. Water - $6.50 per acre upwards of 100 acres

Dec. 1. E. Matthew H. & C. D. Hampton to Connersville, Returns Feb 1. 1826.
" 12. moving the old carding house to make room for the new Oil mill.
" 15. gas. Hodge & S. anderson to Virginia.
Dec 25. A very happy christmas.

1826

Feb. 9. Henry Miller from West U.
" 14. Ashbel K. & H. Miller to Eagle creek, preaching. Returns march 3?
" 21. New oil mill starts. Gather 60 Bls. sugar water at Big camp
" 23. Gathered 108 Bls. sugar water to day.

~~March~~ 7. ~~Rain for 10 days in succession.~~
" 9. H. Miller & Ashbel K. to Eagle creek again.
" 11. Making Flax seed oil at the rate of 12 Bls. per week.
" 24 E. Lockwood dec?.

April. 16. Sab. Meeting, - The church had a gift to speak their faith & determination in presence of each other.
" 19. E. Saml. Turner arrives from P. Hill. Returns 25.-
" 24 25. Laid off the Office Cellar & commenced digging - a few rods north of the North house.

May ~~It~~ is said that Rev. Mr Sargeant & Charlotte M. is Elected (May 1826) 10 years after 1st organized
May. 2. Began to paint the Meeting house - for the 3d time since built.
" 4. The Duke of Saxony & Co. pays us a visit. He's nothing but a man.
" 8. Laying up the office cellar.
" 16. Ashbel K. gas. Mrs K. Lois Spining & Thankful Stewart sets out for the Lakes (North Union) To take the charge and
" " lead of that young Society. Also Dr. D. Bering appd. to the Eldership Centre, also Molly K. Centre in place of P. Mor. - to the north.
" 23. E. Br. Samuel R. & Ebenezer M. Start to Pennsylvania this morning - to see an aged Uncle of the former, Anthony Rollins.

Jan. 6. G. Runyon & Elihu Shields here from P. Hill. 10. G.R. S. Benta & R. Williston set out for P. Hill. Elihu S. returns 22 Feb.

March 13. Chh. & West Branch all had meeting together to day.

April 1st Betsy Darrow departed this life last night.

Apr. 18 Brick wash house commenced at the family north of meeting house. returned the 27th quite weary.

May 24. A company of our Bro. start to Water Vliet to help raise their Meeting house

" 29 Thomas Poole & Benj. Bypam here from P. H. return June 2d "

June 5. Father David Darrow is declining fast so that it is expected he cannot last many weeks longer

June 7. E. Matthew H. R. W. Pelham, Charlotte M. & Thankful Stewart to the Lakes. Return Sept. 26. —

June 27. Father David dec'd ~~this morning 20 minutes before 5 o~~

" " E. Issachar and a number of the people from Water V. arrive to attend the funeral

" 28. At the Funeral was numerously attended at 2 o'clock — the burial followed. It is said that V. Village numbered about 500 this year.

July 7. J. Guilford Runyon brings Nancy Ryan and her 2 daughters here from P. Hill to keep out of the way of the A. mob. Return 22. Sept.

" 16 Henry Clay, the Statesman pays us a visit, very friendly.

" 18 H. Clay again with a number of others from Lebanon paid us another visit & took dinner. He was quite inquisitive to know the order of succession in the Ministerial government of the Society: — thought he would make a good subject or member of the society: his daughter died in Lebanon.

" 22. Gov. Clinton, of N. York. Gov. Morrow of Ohio, General Harrison and a number of others came to see the village. — They had been celebrating the commencement of the Ohio & Erie Canal.

" 30. Bro. working at the Brick yard.

July 25. Calvin M. Hebelock & Mary Bedle accompanied by Wm. Davis not long after & Stephen Wood set out for W. Water the low lands.

Aug 18. A horse stolen about this time

Aug 29. About 20 hands from the Chh. went to help West Branch Bro. Dig canal this

Jan 1825

Jan 6 1825 George Runyon and
Elisha Shedd were from Pleasant
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June 7th 1825 Elder Matthew Houston Richard W Pelham Charlotte Morrell and Sharon Stewart to the Lake Returned Dec 24

June 27, 1825 Father David Darrow Dec. This morning 20 minutes before 5 Elder Asa Chas (Bates) and a number of the people from Waterloo arrive to attend the funeral. 28 The funeral was numerously attended at 2 o'clock P.M. and all followed.

It is said that Union Village numbered about 500 this year.

(Father Davis Death is in my compliments)

June 28 79, funeral etc
father Sands deceased etc.

July 7 1825 Guilford Runyon brought Nancy Ryon and her 2 daughters here from Pleasant Hill to keep them out of the way of mob Return 22 dept.

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help West Branch Brethren
dig Canal through the low land

Sept 20 1825 Burning Brick
Kiln.

Oct 11th 1825 Building an
oil mill at the Grist mill
Saw & Sat Meeting Great
many Spectators
Sometime this year (1825)
the Ch bought a piece of land
at (or pr I think I must look at
Mrs Lear's history of Whitewater
& elsewhere to be certain about
how it was) Whitewater upwards of
100 acres $6,50 per acre.

Dec 1st 1825 Mathew Houston
and Charles D Hampton
to Warrenville. Return Feb 1st 11

Dec 12 1825 Moving the old
carding house to make room

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oil mill

Dec 15 James Hodge and Samuel Anderson to Virginia

Dec 25th A very happy Christmas

1826

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March 9 1826 7

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Prudence Morrell to the north
North

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Prudence Morrell to the North

May 23 1824 Elder Brother Samuel Rollins and Ebenezer Morrell start to Pennsylvania this morning to see an aged Uncle of the former, Anthony Rollins

April 28. Anna Boyd - Elder Sister in the Centre family, released on account of bad health and Mary Bedle fills her place.

May 27 Calvin Morrell released from the Eldership at W. Water and removed home to N.Y. settles in the North house (chh.) commenced his home there in the fall 1825—

June 4 Olive West leaves the Society

June 6 Saml. Wallace & Joanna W. leave the Society—

June 18 Rachel Parcel leaves

June 20. " Saml. Worthington leaves——

" 29 " James Madison Babbit leaves——

" 30. Nancy Byrne leaves——

July 7. Our Ministry set out on a visit to Ky. Return Sept. 2d.

Aug 2. Hiram Kimble leaves — regretting his folly in abusing

Aug 3. ~~the spirits~~ Polly Watson, a minor, leaves——

Aug 4 " Polly Worthington leaves—— N. house

" 5 Long & tedious wet harvest closed.

Aug. 9. Nancy Sering, alias, Asenath leaves the Society.

Aug 23 " Jency Worthington leaves——

Aug 24 Cyprene (alias) Eunice Holloway leaves——

Aug 29 " J. Sappington Houston, alias Elias, leaves——

Aug 30 E. Ashbel Kitchell & Sot arrive from North U. on a visit remain here till Sat. Sept 24. E. Ashbel is released and E. Matthew takes his place & they return to N. U.

Sept 10. John Brown leaves

Sept 27 Eleazar & Ashbel remove to the Brick house & occupy the room that E. Matthew vacated.

Sept 27. Jacob Longstreth absent on a journey to Philadelphia and George Legier takes his place of attending in the office

X Jacob returns Oct. 20th. and on the 27th leaves the Society.

Oct.... Thankful Thomas returns to the Office as a Deaconess and Rachel Duncan fills the vacancy with Clarissa Patterson as family Deaconess at the Brick house (2d house)

X
Nov. 24. Eleanor & Narcissa Anderson, twins, leave ——

Dec. 5. Father Job Bishop of Canterbury, New Hampshire decd. between 10 & 11 o'clock P.M. aged 71 years, 2 mo. & 6 days — he spent upwards of 50 years in the gospel & 40 yrs in Mt

X
Dec. 21 David Brown leaves ——

1832
Jan.

Feb. 6 Elder David Spining removed pom the N. Set to the Centre.

Feb. 12 Sab. The greatest flood ever known in this country, so said).

X
Feb. 10 Jane Monell leaves — N. House. Chh. ——

Feb. 15. Israel Trotter a minor was taken pom the Centre to the world by his Father. this boy returned when he became of age — and arrived here and joined himself to the Society again — after a short stay in the young Order he was admitted into the Chh June 22d. 1839.

X
Feb. 22. Moses Holloway leaves ——

" " 22 John Wallace & a company of his fellow apostates take possession of our Gristmill & try to hold possession, but were dislodged. John W. tried to present the Bm. to grand jury for dislodgment pom the Mill, but no bill was found. —

March.

April 1. Elder Issachar released or resigned his care of the Society at Watervliet and E. Eleazar fills his place.

1811.

January 5th. Killed 19 hogs Heaviest weighs 340. Whole wgd. 4489.
February 5th. Attended court; suit Robt. Wilson v. Elder David.
" 7th Judgement given against Elder David for $250.00
" 20th. Ruth Darrow and Edith Dennis started for Busros
West Union and Elder Archibald and the Eagle
Creek folks.
" 22d Move to West Union to start a society there
" 26th. William Houston came to live with John Carson
to learn the blacksmith's business. This was
William's second trial

~~March~~

May 7th James Dixon and Joseph Irwin and their families arrive from
Cincinatti. Lewis Wails brot. their goods from there.
27th Francis Carr and wife and four others from Cincinatti attend
meeting here today.

Aug. 1st. Believers generally come together and begin
a lime kiln for the purpose of
finishing the new meeting house
and "big new" dwelling house.

Sept. 7th. Israel Dennis badly hurt today by a pry
falling on him while digging stone.
" 14th Began to dig cellar today for the fifty
feet shop. (Peter Boyd's journal says "20×50")
16th Israel Dennis died today.

Oct. 5th. Three young believers came from toward the falls
of the Ohio to Amos Valentines.
19th. Two young Dutchmen confessed their sins.

Dec. 12th. Shock of earthquake last night.

"Here ends the extracts from Peter Peas' journal from 1805 to
1812 when the L. L. (?) began to gather.

Note. The coming of James Dixon and Joseph Irwin and their families ~~is~~
mentioned ~~in~~ in Peter Boyd's journal as occurring on the
4th instead of the 7th of May 1811. This may have been an error in
copying.

1811.

Note: The records of the year 1811 show a remarkable amount of industry and great diversity of occupations. We see that flax was raised, wool carded, brooms made, bricks burned and in addition to this a very large amount of other work was done.

It is proper here to say that the ministry appear to have been very active in the discharge of their pastoral and business duties. Frequent visits to Kentucky and Cincinatti and the ~~other~~ Ohio societies form a considerable portion of the records And as the facilitees for travelling were limited a trip to Cincinatti occupied three days. Often the trips to and from Ky. occupied two and even three weeks.

Succession in the Trusteeship of the Chh.

Jan. 16 " 1812. – Peter Pease, John Wallace & Nathan Sharp were appt" Trustees of chh.

Feb. 14 " 1818. – John" Wallace absconded, & of course is no more a trustee.

July 14 " 1818. – Lewis Vallantine is appt" trustee to supply the vacancy, and stood thus P.P. N.S. & L.V.

May 2" 1820. – Peter Pease ceases to be a trustee & removes home to N. Lebanon leaving N.S. & L.V.

Aug. 12 " 1828. – Daniel Boyd now becomes one of the Trustees at the amalgamation of the West Branch interest with that of the chh. N.S. D.B. & L.V. tr.

Feb. 14 " 1830. Daniel Boyd resigned & Lewis V. released, and Henry Valentine (chang'd the 16") and Ithamer Johnson appt" to fill the vacancies – N.S. H.V. I.J.

Sep. 9" 1835. Nathan Sharp absconded, & of course is no more a trustee.

Sep. 14" 1835. Wm" Runyon appt" to fill the vacancy, but did not finally remain long enough in office in the chh. to receive titles & transf.

Jan. 12 & 13" 1836. The great move & division of the chh. into 1st & 2d fam's

Jan. 27" 1836. Wm" Runyon and Henry Valentine released from the office of Trustees in the chh. and William appt" one in 2" fam'y, Daniel Boyd and Ithamar Johnson appt" trustees of the chh. as ~~—~~ arranged at this time.

Succession of the Principal Office Deaconesses.

Jan. 16 " 1812, Martha Sanford was appt" first Deaconess, or Office Deaconess Peggy Houston her assistant.

Oct. 26" 1816, Martha Sanford released & goes to West U. to fill E.Rs. lot.

Sep. 4 " 1817. Peggy Houston released – and goes to South house as Elder br. and Emmica Sering appt" to fill Peggy's place in the office bt.

Apr. 3" 1821. Charlotte M. appt Office Deaconess, and Emmica Sering is released & appt" family Deaconess. Charlotte is released soon after & Eliza Sharp is appointed as first till

Oct. 30" 1821. ~~Emmica Sering appt & in the office Dea~~ Thankful J. appt" 1st Office Deaconess. (& Eliza 2")

Nov. 23." 1830. Thankful is released from Office lot & removes to center as family deaconess & Betsey Dickson fills her lot in the office.

Oct. — — 1831. Thankful returns to the office lot again & takes the first lot. — R. Duncan fills the vacancy with Clarissa — left by Thankful

Sep. — — 1832. Thankful is again released from her lot and removes to the Brick house family & Betsey Dickson fills the lot and E. Morris with her.

Sep. 27" 1835, Betsey Dickson & Elizabeth Morris released from the office and Thankful and Salome appointed.

Jan. 18" 1836. Elizabeth Wait appt. in room of Salome — released.

Sep. 26" 1839. Elizabeth Wait deceased.

Oct. 19" 1839. Polly Davis appointed to fill Elizabeth's lot.

Oct. 13" 1840. Ruth Brown appointed as an additional Office deaconess the first time that we have had 3 in the lot.

Eldership of the 1st Order or Centre family

El

Recapitulation of the changes in the succession of the Ministry, Eldership & Trusteeship of the Chh. from 1812 up to 1842 or 3 —

There are

Miss Beaver I have
not closed (mss) 1905
as I think that I
have already exp'd
the same from forever
leaver, or about the
same, I will keep
them to look over
to refer to when I
am not sure but
that I am writing the
same over & over again,
I must look & see
where Aunt Susanna
came in & know that
she had care of Sperry
& leaving Under Elders
Martha Sanford & Clear
ity Houston what Mariah
Goodwin said to Charge

I must look out in what
year Amos Volunteer built
a large house on the same
spot: I was clearing away
& the present built on the same ground
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by R McNemar)

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The following table of synonyms may be consulted to render this subject intelligible.

The present Office (now in 1842) was built in 1810 & '11 — and occup^d in Jan. 1812 by the first regularly organized family in the chh. It continued to be called the "Centre house" altogether until 1836: since which, & at present it is called "The Office".

The Brick Dwelling North of meeting house was put up & occupied in 1819, and occupied in Jan. 1820. It was called by way of distinction "The Brick-house", up till 1836; since which it has been called "The Centre" or "1st Order".

The "North House" has borne that name since a family was organized in it. It was built for an Office & first occupied by the Trusteeship & a few others in Dec. 1823, and to continued till Aug. 23d 1824, when a regular family (& appointed Elders) were collected out of the chh. and occupied it in conjunction with the Trustees An office was built just north of these buildings in 1826. & the Trustees removed into it. Again in Nov. 1834 the North fam. was broken up (mainly) & dispersed in other families. But again in 1836 a family was established in said H. house again; thus it is considered a branch or integral part of 1st order. Thus the "Centre" & "North" composed the "1st order".

The present "2d order" was formerly called "South house", and is sometimes yet. The present Dwelling was put up in 1822. — This family, however, was organized in "1812" (same date as the centre) in the old framed dwelling formerly occupied by the first Elders, & called, then, "The Elders family or Chh.

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Professor Silliman.

Waterlist. Nov. 24th 1823.

Altho a stranger to you, I take the liberty to address you. It is now nearly three years since I first saw your Remarks on a "Tour between Hartford & Quebec," & I regretted very much to find that instead of making a stop at the village of New Lebanon, & personally examining for yourself, the principles & practice of the United Society called Shakers, & obtaining from the proper source, the chactar of the people, you have ventured to adopt Thomas Brown's disingenuous publication for your guide. I am not ignorant that his book has been referrd to & quoted by several other writers who evidently had no more knoledge of the man than yourself.

I have no doubt that many who are entire strangers to his character, & also to the Society whose history he professes to write, have been equally imposed upon by his apparent candor & pretended impartiality. But I am fully persuaded that no respectable writer who was previously acquainted with his private character, would ever condescend to notice his work, & that nothing but the imposing appearance of honesty & candor could ever have excited so much attention as his book has received.

Those who are acquainted with him & with the Society whose history he professes to write, are at no loss how to appreciate the merit of his work. In the estimation of such, his profest candor & impartiality will doubtless have their true weight; & his boasted knoledge & information will pass for no more than their real value. But those who are strangers to the character of the man, ought,

in justice to truth, to be informd that with all his egotism & self-conceit, & his great ambition to be known as an author; he is utterly incapable of preparing his own manuscripts for the press. This fact is well known to those who have taken the drudgery of transcribing his papers & preparing his stuff for the printer, & can easily be proved by his own writings now in my possession.

I have before me a letter from Dr. Horatio G. Spafford, & with his consent I copy & send to you the following extract, in answer to some queries addrest to that Gentleman respecting Brown's character. The letter is dated Troy, 6 mo. 26, 1823. "I really do not know anything about Tom Browns religious sentiments, notions, opinions, or principles: when I last converst with him, some 5 or 6 years ago, I thot him much like his namesake, Tom Paine, that is, a noreligionist. As to literature, he merely knows enuf to couple extracts from books, in a bungling manner, & even when copying print, misspells, & makes his author talk neither grammar nor reason. I have seen som hundred pages of his stuff of this sort, & am sorry to say I once took the trouble to put it in form for the press. He is totally incapable of of writing anything fit to appear in print, so far as I can judge, unless indeed he may have wonderfully improved in 5 or 6 years.

I consider him a man of no principle either in morality or religion, a designing, subtle, & in a much greater degree than most ignoramuses of his class, a dangerous man. The "Stuff" I speak of, was his Medical Electricity; & had I known him as well then, as soon after, I certainly would not have assisted

him in making that book."

Dr. Spafford has now in the press a new edition of his Gazetteer of the State of New York, in which I have noticed the following article, United Society of Believers, or Shakers as generally calld, as New Lebanon & Watervliet. An acquaintance of more than 20 years with these singular people, the transaction of considerable business with them, and an attentive observation of their habits, modes, customs, morals & religion, have convinced me that they have been made the subjects of many unfounded calumnies, remarks that are extorted from me here, principally in consequence of having cast my eye for the first time on Professor Silliman's Tour, while this work was in the press. That gentleman has surely been imposed upon, & will, no doubt, on being better informd, correct, in his second, the errors of the first edition of his interesting book of Travels."

Brown has lately issued proposals for printing by subscription, a new edition of his History, in which, after boasting of his great knowledge of the affairs of the Society, & of his ability to render an important service to mankind by this publication, he introduces a couple of extracts as proof of the high estimation in which his former edition is held. The first is from the Port Folio for October, 1812. Not having that work by me, I cannot now ascertain the correctness of his quotation. The other is from your Tour, & is given in the following words, viz. Extract from Professor Silliman's Tour from Hartford to Canada. "An account of the people calld Shakers, &c. by Mr. Thomas Brown, is probably

one of the best that has been publisht; it has every appearance of being written with candor & truth, & exhibits considerable ability." By turning to the passage in your book, you may see with how much faithfulness he has made his extract. Doubtless Brown feels himself honord by your notice of his book, & your extracts from it cannot fail to gratify his vanity. But I think it a great pity that such an unprincipled person wretch should receive from literary men, & especially one of your profession & standing, that kind of aid which enables him more effectually to impose his "stuff" upon the public, & abuse the credulity of mankind.

Brown's History was arranged & prepared for the press by Dr. Caleb Childs, who at that time, resided in Troy, in the character of a physician. Childs has since informd me, that notwithstanding the very tedious drudgery he had in arranging, correcting & transcribing his scralls, which he undertook by contract, B. not only defrauded him out of his labor, but basely & shamefully injured him in a most tender & delicate point, the peculiar nature of which, prevented him from obtaining the smallest satisfaction.

In justice to the truth, it ought to be known to you, that for his shameful slanders against the first Leaders & founders of the Society, he is indebted to the gleanings of all the malice & enmity of the most malignant & base characters that ever apostatized from the Society. And what cannot, what will not an embittered apostate, who possesses neither principle nor character, say, when his object is to slander & vilify a religious Society, as the

only means of justifying himself for apostatizing from it, especially when he finds that the very object of his examiners, is to collect scandalous reports for a similar purpose.

B. asserts that he was a member of the Society, nearly 7 years. It is due to truth to say that he never was considered as a member at all. I lived in a family near the Society, in the time of his pretended membership, & had knowledge of all the connexion & all the intercourse he ever had with the Society from first to last. He never resided nearer the Society, than Albany. Most of the time that he pretended to any faith in their principles, he lived in Cornwall, Orange County, more than one hundred miles below Albany. He was in the practice of sailing a small boat up & down the river & selling earthen ware; & generally took opportunities when trading at Albany or Troy, to come out & spend the Sabbath; & frequently tarried several days at a time, visiting the families of those who were then called young believers, & who lived in the neighborhood of the Society at Watervliet. By those who know him, he was considered a suspicious character, & one in whom very little confidence could be placed.

Without manifesting the least evidence of the true fear of God, or the real substance of religion, he appeared to delight in displaying his talents & boasting of his feats in religious disputation, & seemed not to care on which side of the argument he was engaged, provided he could find an opponent. Tho I have been repeatedly informed that B. avow disbelief in a Supreme Being, I am inclined to think with Dr. Spafford, that he is a no-religionist.

He can profess anything that happens to suit his present views, but he possesses too much versatility of disposition to confine his belief to anything for any length of time. Thru the whole course of his pretended connexion with the Society, it was obvious to all who were particularly acquainted with him, that there was no stability of soul in the man, nor any consistency of character about him; & he is undoubtedly indebted to his Editor for all the consistency that appears in his book.

Brown has taken the liberty to insinuate that the book publisht by the Society, entitled The Testimony of Christ's Second Appearing is not the production of the persons whose names are subscribed to the work — because, he asserts, they are not men of education. As a seeming confirmation of this, President Dwight has stated in his Journal, that it is supposed to have been written by a man whose name is Wells." This statement has been copied by several other writers. The supposition however is not founded in truth. And I can assert it as a fact, that either of those three men are far more capable of writing a correct history of the Shakers than Brown ever was. I am able to prove by comparing their writings with his, that they are much more correct writers than he is.

Notwithstanding his insinuation & all that has been surmised, & publisht in consequence, that book is certainly the united production of those three men whose names are subscribed to the Preface, & Benjamin S. Youngs, one of the three, was the principal compiler & Editor

of the work. President Dwight evidently alluded to me as the supposed author. But I can assure you that with the exception of a few articles which I sent to Benjamin Youngs at his request, because they could not be obtaind in that part of the country. I knew not the contents of the book, nor even the title till I received a copy from Ohio, after it was printed.

I have understood that you contemplate publishing a new edition of your Tour. If so, I think it due to justice & Truth that you either suppress those illiberal & unjust sketches under the head of Village of the Shakers, or correct them in such a manner as to have them bear the scrutiny of truth.

We have lately publisht a small volume entitled A Summary View of the Millennial Church, which contains a historical sketch of the rise, progress & practical order of the Society, together with the ground principles of their faith & testimony. I am willing to send you one if you desire it, & will send me directions how to convey it to you from Albany. It will give you a clearer view of the principles & practices of the Society than you can obtain from any other source. I should be glad to hear from you, & shall solicit an answer to this letter.

P.S. The subject of this letter I confess, is of a delicate nature, & may perhaps subject me to your censure. I am aware of the risk of making so free a communication to a stranger, respecting the character Thos. Brown, but the occasion taken, & the consequences produced by his book in imposing falsehood on the public, must be my apology. My motives are

good, but if I have done wrong, I alone am responsible, it ought not to be charged upon the Society, as the wrongs of individuals often have been by inimical characters. S. Y. W.

B. Silliman's Replay.

New Heaven, Nov. 28th, 1823.

Mr. Seth Y. Wells. Sir. In reply to yours of the 24th, I say without hesitation, that I much regret the insertion of anything in my Tour to Quebec, which can be regarded as giving an incorrect account of the people called Shakers. I was led into the error by relying upon the recommendation of a gentleman in Albany, equally distinguisht for intelligence, candor & strict principle — I mean Christian principle. He told me that Brown's book was considerd the most complete & best account of this people, & that I might rely upon it as an authority. Nor was it till a year after the publication of my Tour that I learnd otherwise. — Nearly a year since Mr. Bushnell & another member of the New Lebanon Society, call'd on me & stated their objections to my account. It was then that I learnd for the first time, that heavy charges existed against Brown's private character, & that the people of whom he professes to give an account, deny that he is worthy of credit. Had I known this, I certainly should not have quoted his book.

It has been my intention, ever since, to make the best amends in my power, by correcting a second edition of my Tour, which has been a good while called for. But a very bad state of helth has, since last winter, disqualified me for any literary labor, & caused me to relinquish all public duties. I have however, never forgotten the subject, nor have I ever shut of it but with pain, since I learnd that I had been considerd as injuring a religious community, which is certainly, on many accounts entitled to respect & esteem. I trust, I shall soon or later, have it in my power to correct my error, & you may rest assured that I shall be glad of this opportunity.

The book which you mention, I should be obliged to you to send me. Mr. Bushnell forwarded to me Dunlavy's Manifesto, & Christs Second Appearing, but feeble helth has prevented me from perusing them as yet. If you have an opportunity to New York, please send to the care of G. S. Silliman, No 126 Pearl St. or if to Hartford, to the care of Daniel Wadsworth.

I should however be obliged, if at your leisure, you would write for my use, a concise statement of such facts, as would give a view of the Society, satisfactary to themselves. Your letter, certainly needs no apology — on the contrary it has given me a very favorable impression of the author. It is perhaps scarcely neccessary to add that this letter is not intended for publication, altho I have no objection to its being communicated to any one whom it may interest. I will conclude by observing

that an insinuation unfavorable to the morals of the Society which Mr. Bushnell said had been supposed to be conveyed in an expression in my book, never entered into my mind, & I should not think could be fairly inferred from the the expression.

Mr. Wells.

Yours &c — B. Silliman.

And Nancy Gray
at White Water who
who came with Wealth
in the early beginning
of that society and
blest the people so
with unasked sums
of her money from
her wealth from
time to time & her loyalty to
the faith she had
embraced & consol-
ing character

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couraging example
for her in all her walks
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friend & ever ready
to help the load
of a weaker souls
burden (The writer
has listened with
much enjoyment
to the praises of Fanny
Gray, a second cousin
to her

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pleading memorial
of the sister Nancy
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joyed the flatter-
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a second cousin of
the Nancy Gray & of
the child of her
prayer

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aged [illegible] woman &
always adding
with a considerable
& wealth She dis
posed of her self
in presents to help
out with pretends

I do know not whether he was a widow or a bachelor

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The **Basis** of this preparation is fresh **Wild Cherry Bark.** The efficacy of Wild Cherry in Pectoral affections is universally known; but the object is frequently defeated by a want of skill or knowledge in the preparation. The Organic Acid to which it owes its peculiar virtues, is very volatile, and consequently is destroyed or dissipated by heat; hence the disappointment so often experienced in the use of this invaluable remedy. From ignorance or carelessness the Bark is kept until every particle of the Aromatic Acid has evaporated; or it is subjected to the temperature of boiling alcohol or water, by which all its medicinal virtues are scattered to the winds.

In our preparation the bark used is fresh, and the Extract is made with cold Alcohol—the powerful and agreeable Aroma of the Wild Cherry is there to speak for itself.

Besides the Wild Cherry, Squills and Seneca Snake-root are the leading ingredients of the Shaker Cough Syrup.

Rhubarb is also added. This is, perhaps, a novel ingredient in a cough mixture, but we are satisfied of its value, from long experience. It acts as a mild tonic, and is also useful in preventing constipation and regulating the action of the bowels, thus obviating the common necessity of resorting to the use of cathartic medicines.

Morphia and Antimony, in very small proportions, are the remaining constituents. Notwithstanding the prejudices of ignorance, physicians know the value of opium and antimony in pectoral affections. The one allays irritation, the other acts as a sedative, expectorant and febrifuge; in combination they meet many indications in diseases of the respiratory organs, better than almost any other medicament; and when united with the other ingredients of this preparation, they complete, as we verily believe, the best Cough Medicine ever offered to the afflicted.

Persons desiring the Cough Syrup can be supplied by addressing

For Sale by Druggists Generally.

where she objected to
do so. There was an
other [illegible] by
the name of Gray
who was not allowed to
be any action to stan-
ay Gray

this 4 record to Jan 1st 1818

Nancy Wilson, deceased
the 27 of June in the
year 1812 Aged 62 years at
her death

Elder brother John *
Naylor departed this
life on Wednesday the
first of February 27
minutes past one
in the morning
Funeral next day at
the (Square House)
9 A. M. the 27 of Feb 1826

SHAKER

Cough Syrup

This medicine is precisely what its name imports, and has been in use for a number of years among the several families of the Society of Shakers, as the principal remedy for Coughs and affections of the Chest.

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See Jan 7th 1810
about John Davis &
John & Robert Wilson
& some of note began
(Core Steel of Pu beauty
of the Dennis family
Dennis or Bunkerhill
must be my own story about
this & about family & descend
ants of Davis both family
ties & immediate by the
conduct of these three men

Union Village Warren Co. Ohio

May 25th 1905

Dear Address, Mary (Gass)

In your absence, I would

I, (Susanna C Liddell) be

sent for to Jersey, England,

Australia, or anywhere else

in all the world, I have your

Union Village Warren Co, Ohio

~~May~~ 25 Nov 1905

Dear Eldress Mary (Gass)

In your absence, should I, (Susanna L Liddell) be sent for to Jersey, England, Australia, or anywhere else in all the world, I have your permission to go, I already know, But will you be so kind as to now, add here to your consent again, and your name

In the summer of 1903 I sent
what I call my real history
30 pages to Dr J D MacLean
I later sent to him at the
same 28 pages of Items
1904 I Lengthened out the his-
tory to 159 { May 1905 I
sent to him Father David
Dawson death funeral &c &c
Letter to go in Study of the account 35

Look on 379 Volume 2
for some history of the
war of 1213 but do not
to have the same repeat
ed in Volume last
280 381.

1

Job 97 all is right

the time when & how it shall
be made known to her what
to do by the Team
very respectfully
The wicket

This page finishes all of Susanna's writings. The work is nearly two years [illegible] and which she may live to enjoy in a time for it brought for the purpose to awake

I now think it well to put this at end of preface

having taken the marriage ordeal
and throwing it off again to return to
the name of their youth and enter
the joys that the new faith presented.
In their society at present the wearing
of claimed names of married women
has been much opposed usually by rea-
son of the father and children bearing
one name and the mother another
for instance

Union Village Ohio July 1813
Elders Hollis Gunsaul
[illegible] 4th of Dec 1773
From her journal + + + 42
viewed safely at our dear
Tunker near Lebanon
Ohio
Written on page 2, about
the Big mob 27 of August
1810 The same replaced by
Co B G Young Clown the 17,
of Feb 1774 Salamanca
New York page 3rd
page 4 R No 1 A G to Comm
ake to read about printing
Plan
Here stands all
that I have about
all in Union that I
wrote & J D M Clown
excepting the burial
Dance by R. H. S Hoosers
hymn Joseph heard of
Abert &c

1835

At this date, Joshua Worley as I beheld him at first in my childhood discriminations of his appearance together with what I would hear from others from time to time, I would say that "Brother Joshua" as he was called from the time that he went into the Ministerial order to live and as long as he remained in the Village was that he was slightly under six feet in height 205 pounds in

pounds in weight
straight in the back
bulging chest & stomach
The image of health &
strength stood in his
skin as appeared & almost
as an egg in its shell,
his complexion more dark
than light his features
stony & severe & pleasing
in expression
Joshua

his hair
auburn
& curly
his eyes
dark blue
sparkling &
penetrating

Joshua Worley was an
earnest editorial speaker
in our public meetings.
He was an inspirational
minister in song his
voice (with that of his
equally) brainless under
the renowned music
master, Stephen Williams
a member of the
the Center Church
families who instructed
the youth in the choir
ities
Joshua was a tanner he
learned his trade from
the most competent

respect
consistant tenor in
reach of his name
Joshua Worley was a
man for man & "good
fellow" with every man
always regular in his
duties & genial & happy
in his disposition & pos-
sessing superior qualities
as a ruler in his lot & was
respected favorite by all who
knew him. He did not
like the Spiritual revival
outpouring commencing
at Ulin the year 1898 & imagin
& left the Society 4

Respected Sister Martha
You can show the inclosed
papers to Eldress Lymena
and brother Moze Mason
if you as wish.
And then be so kinde as to
give them to brother Moze to
return to me, I do not
want to lose them for any thing.
Susanna L Liddell
Union Village
Warren Co Ohio

SHAKER

I must see June 9 1834
in my own story of that
"Freshet" of June 9,
1834. I have copied a
part of it in my pen-
cil copying from E & L
Rice's account of
this freshet.